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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director
United States Secret ServiceSUBJECT : Political and Guerrilla Training of
Black Militants

1. A highly sensitive and reliable source has reported the following:

a. Since early March 1973 the Curiel Apparatus, a Paris based revolutionary support group for third world revolutionary movements, has been supporting seven American black militant/hijackers (not further identified) who were formerly in Algiers. This group has been given the code name "BAKER". The black activists have been living clandestinely with Apparatus collaborators in the suburbs of Paris under instructions to stay close to the homes where they are lodged in order to avoid coming to the attention of the French authorities.

b. At the 2 June 1973 Paris meeting of the Curiel Apparatus Direction Committee, Henri CURIEL, founder and leader of the Apparatus, stated that seven members of the "BAKER" group will receive political and guerrilla technique training in France, which will last the entire month of August. According to CURIEL, this group will return to the United States in September.

c. The importance attached by CURIEL to the "BAKER" group was challenged by a leading Apparatus activist who complained that the "BAKERS" do not meet the criteria of the national liberation programs established by the Apparatus, since there is no objective possibility that the "BAKERS" will be able to change the structure or affect the policies of the United States Government. CURIEL responded that the "BAKERS" are a special case; even though they are small in number, if they can create spectacular incidents in the United States with the help of the training and support given by the Apparatus, they

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will be striking at the root of the imperialist repression of the national liberation activity throughout the world.

2. Comment: The following are American militants/hijackers, who formerly were residing in Algiers and some of whom may be the unidentified individuals discussed above:

- a. George Edward WRIGHT aka Larry BURGESS
- b. George BROWN aka Harold SINGLETON
- c. Melvin MCNAIR
- d. Jean Carol MCNAIR
- e. Joyce Tillerson BURGESS
- f. Nathaniel BURNS aka Sekou ODINGA
- g. Larry Neil MACK
- h. Catherine KERKOW

3. The above information has also been furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It is provided with the proviso that it will receive no further dissemination other than to your appropriate field offices, without the prior approval of this Agency; and that any reference to it in internal documents will state only that it was obtained from a confidential source, with no mention of the Agency originating this report. It is requested that no action is undertaken on the basis of this information without prior coordination with this Agency. We are particularly concerned for the security of our sources.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS:

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